

AMENDMENTIN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 16, and 31 as follows:

1. (Amended) A solution for the topical treatment of skin sores comprising:

A¹ cedar leaf oil comprising from about 6% to about 10% by weight;

zinc oxide ointment comprising from about 5% to about 10% by weight;

calamine lotion comprising from about 2% to about 10% by weight; and

an ointment base.

16. (Amended) A method of preparing a solution for treating skin sores comprising the step of:

A² combining cedar leaf oil, zinc oxide ointment, and calamine lotion with an ointment base to form a treatment ointment; said cedar leaf oil comprising between about 6% and about 10% by weight of said solution.

31. (Amended) A method of treating skin sores comprising the step of:

A³ applying a treatment solution to the skin sore, wherein the treatment solution comprises cedar leaf oil, zinc oxide ointment, calamine lotion and an ointment base; said cedar leaf oil comprising between about 6% and about 10% by weight of said solution.

A marked up version of the claims is attached for the Examiner's review.